

Thank you for your interest in Pikes Peak Community College!

To attend PPCC as an international student, it is necessary for you to obtain an F-1 visa. The first step is to <u>apply for admission</u>. After you apply, you will be contacted by your assigned international representative regarding next steps, which include supplying PPCC with essential documents for evaluation before we can issue you an I-20. If you are a transfer student, we will need to arrange for your SEVIS record to be transferred to PPCC <u>after</u> you've been accepted. Please review the list below *and provide us with the requested documents by your intended semester's deadline.*

I-20 Application Deadlines

For new F-1 students, an admissions application must be completed and all required document submitted by:

Fall Semester (August – December): July 1 Spring Semester (January – May): November 15 Summer Semester (May – July): April 1

**Note: The deadline for SEVIS transfer students is 2 weeks prior to the first week of classes for the semester.

Please note: while F-1 students are permitted to begin classes during the Summer Semester, students must be aware that there is a <u>limited availability of in-person classes</u> and a full-time course load is generally more intense than during the Fall/Spring semesters. Because of this, it is recommended to begin the first semester in the Fall/Spring semesters. Please consult with an international representative for more information.

I-20 Application Checklist

- 1. PPCC Online Application for Admission on <u>www.ppcc.edu/apply</u>
- 2. Copy of Passport Information Page
- 3. Academic Records. Submit one of the following:
 - High school transcripts or copy of your diploma or high school equivalency exam
 - College transcripts, if applicable. If you wish to have previous college credit applied towards a degree or certificate, an official evaluation of your transcripts must be made by a certified International Transcript Evaluation Service.
 - Please also submit a certified English translation if the documents are not in English.
- 4. I-20 Data Form (will be sent after online application is complete)
- 5. Dependent Information Form, if applicable (will be sent after online application is complete)
- 6. Proof of English Language Proficiency. Please provide *one* of the following:
 - o <u>Duolingo English Test</u>: Minimum Score of 110
 - <u>TOEFL</u>: Minimum Score of 80
 - i. Note: PPCC's institution code for TOEFL is 4291.

- **IELTS**: Minimum Score of 6.5
- TOEIC: Minimum Score of 750
- Proof of successful completion of an intensive program of English as a Second Language
- Proof of passing an equivalent college-level English course in the U.S.
- If already in the US, passing score on the English as a Second Language (ESL)- four part <u>Accuplacer Test</u>, taken on-site at Pikes Peak Community College.

NOTE: Visa-seeking international applicants with secondary or post-secondary degrees from the United States and/or these select countries are exempt from providing English Proficiency Test Scores with their application package:

 Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, Canada (English Speaking, i.e. not Quebec), Cayman Islands, Dominica, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Montserrat, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Scotland, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Swaziland, Tanzania, The Bahamas, The British Virgin Islands, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, Uganda, United Kingdom, Virgin Islands, Zambia, Zimbabwe

ATTENTION: PPCC is not issuing I-20's for the ESL program at this time. English proficiency scores must meet the requirement for degree courses without supplemental ESL courses. However, ESL courses can be taken <u>in addition</u> to the degree program as long as all requirements of the F-1 visa are met. Please contact your PPCC international representative for more information.

- 7. Financial Information Form and Guarantor Financial Affidavit (will be sent after online application is complete)
- 8. Personal Information Form (Will be sent after student applies)
- 9. Official bank statements dated within the last three months showing the minimum required funds for a full year of study plus living expenses. Students must document the following funds:

Required Funds for Academic Year 2021/2022	
Single Independent Student	\$33,400 USD
Additional Funds for Dependents	\$5,000 for a spouse and \$3,750 for each child
Student with Sponsor for Housing in the US*	\$19,750

*For sponsored students, we will also need a notarized sponsor letter indicating he/she will be supplying room and board at no cost to the student, **and** a deed/lease showing the sponsor is living at or owns the residence.

*If a sponsor is supplying housing **and** is also the financial sponsor, we will need a bank statement from the sponsor, showing at least \$19,750

Keep in mind that although we can accept a COPY of a bank statement in many instances, PPCC may request that a bank statement come to us directly from the bank. PPCC may also request housing funds be documented with bank statements if we are not able to verify sponsor documents for sufficient funding. We may ask for this at any time during the admissions process. Funds shown must be for the express purpose of funding a student's international study and living expenses. Submitting falsified bank documents or submitting bank statements with funds that are not intended for the student's use is considered visa fraud and could result in permanent visa ineligibility by the US government.

Note for Transfer Students: Please note that additional documentation will be required <u>after</u> acceptance to process your SEVIS record transfer. Acceptance to PPCC does not guarantee a SEVIS transfer. The minimum GPA required to transfer to PPCC is 2.0. Students who have a terminated SEVIS record are not eligible for transfer to PPCC.

Documents may be e-mailed to us at international@ppcc.edu or mailed to us at the following address:

Pikes Peak Community College Enrollment Services - Attn: International Admissions 5675 S. Academy Blvd, CC-28 Colorado Springs, CO 80906

If you have any questions, please email me at <u>Audrey.Faulkner@ppcc.edu</u>. If you would like to meet with me, please schedule an appointment with me via e-mail.

Sincerely,

Audrey Faulkner

Audrey Faulkner International Student Coordinator, PDSO

Contact Us

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